



## Recommendation of International Alliance of Waste Pickers for Just Transition

Existing text	Recommendation	Revised text
<p>12. Just Transition</p> <p>Option 1</p> <p>[Leaving no one behind,] Each Party [could] [should] shall [promote and facilitate] [cooperate to promote] [, as per national circumstances and capabilities and relevant national regulation,] [a] fair, equitable and inclusive transition[s] [/pathways] [for affected] [populations] [Parties] [[for [Indigenous Peoples] and [local communities],] [waste pickers] [and other workers in [plastic] [waste] value chains]] [in the context of] [towards] sustainable development], with special consideration [to social and economic impacts] for [[affected] developing country Parties] [women] [ and vulnerable groups, including] [impacted communities] [,] [children and youth,] [in line with the International Labour Organization Just Transition guidelines] [according to national social policies and circumstances ] [, in the implementation of this instrument*] [including by, inter alia, enhancing institutional arrangements, enabling policies and conditions to improve the opportunities, capabilities and livelihoods of affected communities][, provided that means of implementation are available for developing countries]. Developed country Parties shall provide sufficient finance, technology transfer and capacity-building support [with the</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) We welcome the reinstatement of the reference to waste pickers, workers in plastic value chains, indigenous peoples, women, and youth in the opening paragraph of the Just Transition section.</li> <li>2) We prefer making it a mandatory provision and prefer using "shall" over "could" and "should."</li> <li>3) Furthermore, we prefer the first paragraph under Option-1 and emphasize that, as drafted, points a to g are part of the Option-1 opening paragraph.</li> <li>4) We prefer "national coordinating body" over "mechanism."</li> <li>5) We recommend that Just transition should not be conditional on the transfer of resources from developed countries to developing countries and should be a mandatory</li> </ol>	<p>12. Just Transition</p> <p>Leaving no one behind, Each Party shall promote and facilitate, [as per national circumstances and capabilities and relevant national regulation,] a fair, equitable and inclusive transition for affected populations, <i>with special consideration</i> for Indigenous Peoples, waste pickers, and other workers in plastics value chains [in the context of] [towards] sustainable development], for [[affected] developing country Parties], women and vulnerable groups, including impacted communities, children and youth, in line with the International Labour Organization Just Transition guidelines [according to national social policies and circumstances , in the implementation of this instrument* [including by, inter alia, enhancing institutional arrangements, enabling policies and conditions to improve the opportunities, capabilities and livelihoods of affected communities.</p> <p>[Developed country Parties shall provide sufficient finance, technology transfer and capacity-building support with the view to promote and facilitate the just transition of [to affected] developing country Parties.]</p>

<p>view to promote and facilitate the just transition of] [to affected] developing country Parties. This may include [, according to national circumstances]:</p> <p>OPI Alt. In the implementation of this instrument*, each Party shall promote an equitable and inclusive transition for affected populations, with particular consideration for workers and [persons] [people] in vulnerable situations, within [its national jurisdiction; This may include:]</p> <p>a. Designating a national coordinating [body] [mechanism] for engagement [and collaboration] with relevant stakeholders, including public authorities, [trade unions,] [workers association] [waste pickers,] non-governmental organizations[, Indigenous Peoples] and [local communities][and affected populations] [according to national regulations] [with the aim of data collection, monitoring, evaluation and national reporting on progress of just transition];</p> <p>b. Enabling policies [and conditions][that integrate][to [ensure and] improve [as appropriate] income, opportunities and livelihoods for] [waste pickers and other workers in plastic value chains and] [impacted] [affected workers and] communities, including workforce training, [development and social programmes, enhancement of occupational health and safety measures] [according] [considering] to their needs and priorities;</p> <p>c. Incentivizing the development of skills and job opportunities across the plastic value chain, including for the development of reuse, repair, waste collection and sorting;</p> <p>d. Promoting a [clean, healthy and sustainable] [safe working]</p>	<p>obligation of all member states. That said, we encourage developed countries to fund initiatives of just transition in developing countries, including Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries.</p> <p>6) In sub-point b. we prefer “according” over “considering.”</p> <p>7) We suggest merging d. and e.</p> <p>8) In the revised text, we have left some text in brackets, which we are flexible about.</p>	<p>This may include [, according to national circumstances]:</p> <p>a. Designating a national coordinating body for engagement and collaboration with relevant stakeholders, including public authorities, trade unions, workers associations, waste pickers, non-governmental organizations, Indigenous Peoples, and affected populations, according to national regulations, with the aim of data collection, monitoring, evaluation and national reporting on progress of just transition;</p> <p>b. Enabling policies and conditions to ensure and improve living income, opportunities and livelihoods for waste pickers and other workers in plastic value chains and affected workers and communities, including workforce training, development and social programmes, enhancement of occupational health and safety measures according to their needs and priorities;</p> <p>c. Incentivizing the development of skills and job opportunities across the plastic value chain, including for the development of reuse, repair, waste collection and sorting;</p> <p>d. Promoting a safe working environment and a strong social safety net for communities and workers across the full lifecycle in respect of the promotion of fundamental human rights;</p> <p>e. Improving working conditions, occupational safety and health, and social protection for waste pickers and <i>other</i> workers in the waste management sector, including by providing legal recognition and</p>
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<p>environment [and a strong social safety net] [for communities and workers] across [the value chain, including [workers] in the waste management sector] [the full lifecycle in respect of the promotion of fundamental human rights];</p> <p>e. [Improving working conditions [[, occupational safety and health, and social protection] for [waste pickers and] workers] in the waste management sector [, including by providing legal recognition and protection to [waste pickers and other] [workers [and waste pickers]] in informal and cooperative settings and facilitating the formalization [of their associations or cooperatives [integrating them into local waste management systems]] [of their activities through appropriate socioeconomic integration measures]]];</p> <p>f. [Integrating [waste pickers and other] workers in informal and cooperative settings into [a safe] plastics value chain, [including by requiring plastic product producers, recycling and waste management companies to integrate plastics collected and sorted by them into their operation schemes]]; and</p> <p>g. [[Requiring] [Encouraging] a portion of the fees collected through EPR schemes to be used to improve infrastructure [and improve the] [,] livelihoods [, a strong social safety net,] and opportunities for, and develop the skills of, workers in the waste sector, including waste [pickers and other][workers] in informal and cooperative settings.]</p>		<p>protection to waste pickers and other workers in informal and cooperative settings and facilitating the formalisation of their associations or cooperatives and integrating them into local waste management systems</p> <p>f. Integrating waste pickers and other workers in informal and cooperative settings into a safe plastics value chain, including by requiring plastic product producers, recycling and waste management companies to integrate plastics collected and sorted by them into their operation schemes; and</p> <p>g. Requiring a portion of the fees collected through EPR schemes to be used to improve infrastructure and improve livelihoods, a strong social safety net, and opportunities for, and develop the skills of, workers in the waste sector, including waste pickers and other workers in informal and cooperative settings.</p>
<p>2. [The measures taken to implement this provision shall [might] be reflected</p>	<p>We oppose the introduction of the word “[might]” in point 2. and</p>	<p>2. The measures taken to implement this provision shall be reflected in the</p>

<p>in the national plan [communicated pursuant to [Part IV.1 on national plans]]].</p> <p><b>OP2 bis</b> Each Party should support policies to improve income, opportunities, and livelihoods for affected workers and communities in the transition to more circular economies for plastics, considering the needs and priorities of affected workers and communities.</p> <p><b>OP2 ter</b> Within its jurisdiction, each Party shall encourage the consideration of socio-economic factors in determining the location, design, and construction of solid waste management facilities that manage plastic waste, with an aim of avoiding disproportionate and adverse impacts on [persons] [people] in vulnerable situations.</p> <p><b>OP2 quater</b> Each Party shall, in accordance with its domestic procedures, provide opportunities for members of the public to provide input on government plastic waste management decisions or measures.</p>	<p>prefer the use of the word “shall”</p>	<p>national plan communicated pursuant to Part IV.1 on national plans.</p> <p><b>OP2 bis</b> Each Party should support policies to improve income, opportunities, and livelihoods for affected workers and communities in the transition to more circular economies for plastics, considering the needs and priorities of affected workers and communities.</p> <p><b>OP2 ter</b> Within its jurisdiction, each Party shall encourage the consideration of socio-economic factors in determining the location, design, and construction of solid waste management facilities that manage plastic waste, with an aim of avoiding disproportionate and adverse impacts on people in vulnerable situations.</p> <p><b>OP2 quater</b> Each Party shall, in accordance with its domestic procedures, provide opportunities for members of the public to provide input on government plastic waste management decisions or measures.</p>
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